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Applicant: Steven Neville Chatfield Attorney Docket: KCO1002US
Serial No.: 09/527,919 Group Art Unit: 1648
Filed: March 17, 2000 Examiner: Bao Qun Li
For: HEPATITIS B VIRUS POLYPEPTIDES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of three months (from January 18, 2002, to April 18, 2002) within which to respond to the Office Action dated October 18, 2002. A check in the amount of \$920.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. If additional time is required, please consider this a conditional petition therefore. It is believed that no additional fees are due in connection with this Petition. If this is incorrect, however, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 16-2312.

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A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Date:

April 17, 2002

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